OWEN BROTHERS.

WASHINGTON, March 28,-Tennessee and Ohio, slightly colder weather, local ra us, fol-lowed by fair weather, northerly winds.

To suit the times prices must naturally fall. They've fell and we've gathered them in. They're here just acout as soon as they appear in the eastern markets.

Think of buying fine Lislethread Half Hose at 40c, and a better one at 50c. Handsome Balbriggans 25c, 40c, 50c. Solid Blacks at 35c, and some more, none less, We are surprised ourselves. Imagine 10c socks going for a nick'e, a quarter for 15c, some 3 pairs for a quarter, 2 pairs for quarter and so on.

Neckwear, a little out of gear with the market, 25c, "oceans of them" marked down from 75c, 50c and 40c. If you happen to be easy to please, it's easy to save. This cut is fresh, it's the time to buy to-night till ten.

Working Shirts for a quarter, regular "Old Hickory," and others, some Cheviots, Laced Fronts and others with Buttons, 40c. 50c and 75c. Exclusive sale of the solid Indigo Blue open back shirts, 75c.

Flannel Shirts, new to-day. \$1 for an all wool Blue, others at \$1,25, \$1,50 and \$1.75, and every one as good as the word. Un. laundried Shirts at 50c, no better than a month ago, no better for a month to come.

Rainy weather Rubber Garments. The Man's Coat, the Youth's Coat, the Boy's Coat, the Serges, the Check Back, the Slazy Gossamer, all are here, below as usual. "There's something in the make. We see to that. There's something in the price. You're the judge.

Great Hat stock and daily growing.

Sixteen dozen Youth's and Men's Stiff Hats placed on sale to-day at \$1 each, others here and more coming. You can't run, jump and guess anything about them. Go slow and look long.

What about Boy's Shirt Waists? Beautiful is the word for the 12 dozen which arrived yesterday. "Waist" no time in finding beadquarters on these goods.

Watch for our window showing, the very first warm day that come.

We've a bundred of the worst suits you ever saw, now on the way from the factory. Wait till they arrive and hear the price. It'll

Boy's long stocking stock is receiving new ditions. Beside full regular goods, we've a coming at a dime a pair; no trash.

Separate Pants are all the rage, more her perhaps than elsewhere, on account of price It's needless to mention we make them prices indicate how they come in our posses

Spring Overcoats. Not like business to pay \$15, \$18, or thereabouts for an Overcoat, when our way makes the purchase so much easier. The fine all Wool Brown for \$10, the Gray Mixed for \$11, or the Youth's for \$9. son at \$15. A look and a jerk, a try and a chink and your'e dressed like a prince.

OWEN BROTHERS. Till 10 o'clock to-night.

PIANOS.



IANOS

Write for Prices and Catalogue We Have Some Rare Bargains

in second-Hand Pianos. We must make room for our spring stock that has commenced to arrive. Good reliable agents wanted to sell our entire line of Pianos and Organs in every city and town in Southern Ohio. Address,

R. F. BRANDOM & CO.,

74 ARCADE.

Springfield, Ohio. PHOTOGRAPHIC SUPPLIES.



CANADA.

Reall's Rebellion in the Northwest --- He Has 15,000 Men.

War Feeling in Mexico Against Barries.

War Excitement in Canada.

TORONTO, March 28 .- The excitement her ontinues unabated. From an early hour this morning approaches to the drill shed were crowded with people, waiting in expectation of seeing the departure of our troops. The Royal Grenadiers mustered at 8 o'clock, and, notwithstanding the early hour and the fact that the sergeants could not find time last night to notify all members of their companies, they turned out 300 strong. After they were dismissed the "Queen's Own" mustere and showed the creditable turnout of 543 There is the wildest excitement amongst them and many who had left the regiment when they heard that Colonel Otter was to take command begged to be enrolled. Both regiments are now in the drill shed anxiously waiting orders when to The selection of 250 men from each regiment will not be made until definite orders have arrived. The Mayor intimated that the city will look after the wives and families of any married men who go to the

The garrison at Carleton is 300 strong with civilians, so that there are 370 mer within striking distance of Rial and 300 volunteers, with two Armstrong guns seven days' travel away. In addition to this force the Government has ordered the immediate dispatch of 800 Eastern troops to the spot. This brigade will consist of 100 men from each of the batteries of the Dominion artillery, 250 men from each of two Toronto corps, "Queen's Own" and grenadiers, and eighty men from the School of Gunnery, under command of Colonel Otter. Major General Middleton, now on his was from Winnepeg to Onappele will take chief command of the whole body troops. The men from Ontario will go by the Lake Superior route, but it will be necessary to transport them by sleighs over a gap of seventy miles of unfinished road. What Rial may do, pending the arrival of the troops, remains to be seen. His first move, now that he has openly taken the field, will doubtless be to secure supplies by plundering the Government of Hudson Bay and other store houses if he can and to incite the Indians to join him in resistence to the Queen's authority. Much depends upon the indians. It they remain true, short work will be made of the half breeds. out should any considerable number of them go over to Rial, and there are about 16,000 of them in the whole Saskatbewan country, the action of Canada be aken in earnest. There is good ground, however, for saying that up to he presen haps Beardy's, has shown any signs of

Osman Digna's Force LONDON, March 28 .- A deserter from Osman Digna's army states that he has 20,000

men entrenched at Tamma

A Rebellion in the Northwest. TORONTO, Out., March 28 .- The Mail, Gov ernment organ, in an article on the Northwest troubles says: Yesterday's encounter is no doubt the beginning of a serious campaign. Riell is reported to have 15,000 adberents, armed with Remington rifles, obtsined from American traders, with six American field guns. Greater danger, however, is to be feared from the Indians. It is evident that Beardy's band, who are all Piegens, must have sided with the rebels against Manner, Crosier, and should disaffection spread in Battleford Ednonton district, the task of stamping it out will be formidable. Our Government has taken vigorous measures to meet the emergency. The Winnepeg battalion of militia, 300 strong, with half a battery of artillery is now on its way to Onappele station, 323 miles west of Winnepeg, where several trains run north to the scene of insurrection, Carleton being 25 miles from Onappele. The police force at Battleford and Prince Albert num-

War Feeting in Mexico Sr. Louis, March 28 .- A dispatch from the City of Mexico, says: Over twenty Mexi can military officers, not in active service have gone to Central America to join the forces of San Salvador and Nicarauga against Guatemala. The war feeling is rapidly extending and growing stronger. A large public meeting was held Thursday night, at which every speaker advocated determined and aggressive action towards Gua emala. An intense feeling of hatred toward Berrios was manifested at the meeting, frequently inerrupted by cries: "Down with Barrios! "Death to Barrios!" It is reported that the Government is not averse to public agitation against Barrios.

Prize Fight.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., March 28,-A prize fight came off in Rehoboth, Mass., this morning, in which Jack Ashton and James Dolan both of this city, fought eleven rounds to draw. Both were horribly battered. Blood covered the floor of the barn in which the fight occurred, and at the finish both mer were exhausted by loss of blood. Their face were raw and their bodies terribly battered. Neither of the men would give in. The fight was stopped by the spectators for tear of fatal results.

Hong Kong, March 28.-The Chamber of Commerce here urges that an English cable be laid to Hong Kong and Singapore, and supply torpedo-boats be provided both ports.

Paris March 28.—The municipal authori ties of Paris voted \$160,000 for the relief of the wounded French soldiers in Tonquia.

Ohio Legislature.

COLUMBUS, March 27.-House met at 8 o'clock and adjourned until 4 o'clock Tuesday afternoon without transacting any pusiness whatever. Mr. McBride has the fol lowing preamble and resolution drawn up to resentation pext week:

Whereas, Allen O. Myers, a member of this House from Franklin county, during a sitting of the committee of the whole, by disorderly conduct broke up the session of said committee; and whereas, he also, upon former occasions upon the floor of this House was guilty of conduct uphacoming to conduct uphacoming the conduct to the conduct uphacoming the conduct sions upon the floor of this House was guilty of conduct unbecoming a gentleman and member by repeatedly insulting this Hous and its members while in session; therefore

be it

Resolved, by the House of Representatives,
That the said Allen O. Myers has, by his conduct, forfeited his right as a member of this House and he is hereby expelled. SENATE .- The Senate met at 9 o'clock pur

Mr. Elliott introduced a bill to increase the salary of the Superintendent of the Soldiers and Sailors Orphans' Home from \$1,000 to

ations reported upon Mr. Haley's House bill providing for the preservation of health of emale employes employed in manufacturing, mechanical and mercantile establishment and recommended its passage. The bill was placed on Wednesday's calendar. The judiciary committee reported back Mr.

The committee on sanitary laws and regu-

Levering's joint resolution providing for the ission of a constitutional amendment making the term of township trustees three years, instead of one, with the recommends tion that it be adopted. The resolution wa placed on Wednesday's calendar.

On recommendation of the comm anitary laws and regulations, Mr. Williams's Senate bill requiring physicians and druggists to write all prescriptions in English, was in

lefinitely postponed. The Senate adjourned till 4 p. m. Tuesday

Oxtord Abend. LONDON, March 28 .- According to th latest information the victory for Oxford was more decisive than at first reported. The Oxford men won the race by three lengths instead of two. The time of the race was twenty-one minutes and thirty-six seconds, trifling improvement over the time a year ago, when the record was twenty-one minutes and thirty-nine seconds. The improvement

of finer weather and smoother water. Suffering to the South.

was not as great as was anticipated, in view

CHARLESTON, S. C., March 28 .- Information received from the suffering district says the people are in a bad condition-on the verge of starvation. The people are asking for bread and the animals are starving. In many places strong men are digging for an ear of corn to keep soul and body together. The people held out well, trying to keep the suftering from getting abroad, but the time has come when hunger pinches them.

NEW YORK, March 28 .- The weekly bank statement shows the following changes: De rease, \$49,000; specie increase, \$26,000; legal tenders, increase, \$159,000; deposit ecrease, \$89,000; circulation, decrease, \$77, 000; reserve, increase, \$448,000. The banks now hold \$48,491,000 in excess of legal re-

FLINT, Mich., March 28 .- A fire at 3 o'clock this morning completely destroyed the Flint hospital, owned by Pierson & Cathoner. The contents were a total loss. Thirteen inmates row escapes. Loss, \$25,000; insurance,

The Ohio State Journal, of the 28th, has this about the O'Myers outbreak in the House "Thursday's outbreak in the House of Representatives was the prevailing topic of conversation all over the city yesterday. All sorts of rumors concerning Franklin county's legislative crank were flying about the streets Thursday night and yesterday. One of th most absurd of these was a report that he had ommitted suicide. There was, of course, ne truth in this. Mr. Myers expressed three o s:heme which it is held he at one time proposed to carry out, was to resign from the Legislature and write a book about the Payne Pendleton senatorial fight, revealing the inside deals in that disgraceful affair, as he claims to know all about them. He changed his mind about this, however, and half an bou after the solemuly announced intention of pursuing this course be was claiming that be would do something else. It is extremely probable that a sufficient number of the members of the House are so atraid of him that no action commensurate with the gravity of his offens will be taken. He will put in the next two or three days in working the sympathy racket on individual members, and seek to persuade them by the sweet and suave arts of speech in which he is an adept, not to do anything with him this time, but to let it go and he'l do better in future. That was the way he did atter calling Dr. Lisle a borse thief, and is the course he has pursued on numerous occasions in the past. It is said Myers claims to have the power to cut the thread by which, according to his statement, a Damoclean sword hangs suspended over about balf the members who voted for Hon, H. B. Payne for United States Senator. The action of the House in his case will show whether this is an idle boast, as those who oppose punishing him for his gross insults to the House will be marked as the ones whom he could blast by opening the little memorandum book he carries, and claims contains the names of men and their prices in the market in January, 1884."

Dickens is said to have found th original, or at least the suggestion, of Sam Weller in Samuel Vale, a popular ow comedy actor, whom he saw in his Vale's quaint comparisons (which form also one of the humors of Sam Weller's conversation), for which were lavishly introduced by the actor into his part, and made a distinct hit Among those which have been recorded we find the following: "Come on,' as the man said to the tight boot;" "Why, here we are, all mustered,' as the roast beef said to the Welsh rabbit;" "Where shall we fly?" as the bullet said to the " 'I know the world,' as the trigger; nkey said when he cut off his tail:" "There she is, musical and melan choly, as the cricket said to the teakettle."

The Bank of England now covers three acres of ground.

NEWS NOTES.

England is showing her grit. Grant is worse.

The Dayton (O.) woolen mills burne lown. Loss \$30,000.

I. S. Hyatt, one of the inventors of celluloid, died in Florida. James Hubbartt, of Indianapolis, was on

undred years old Friday. Francis Baum, the Texas forger, captured

n Chatham, Ont., was extradited. Georgie Snyder, a five-year-old boy, was killed by a freight train at Canton, O.

President Cleveland drew his first month salary Friday, the amount being \$3,888.87. Congressman N. B. Eldridge is seriously il at his home in Adrian. Mich.

The Van Wert Skating Pavilion, the argest in Northwestern Ohio, was opene Wednesday night. Lyman Roller, a farmer living near Alli-

ance. O., was crushed to death by a falling John Sexton, for the murder of George

Rowdan, was hanged at Barboursville, Ky.

William Neal, the last of the three Ashland (Ky.) murderers, was hanged at Gravson Fri-

John C. Brand, of Louisville, Ky., comnitted suicide by banging himself in his fur niture factory.

Solomon Shipley, living near Washington C. H., O., committed suicide by drowning nimself while drunk.

Edward Hand a prominent livery man, of Newark, O., had a leg broken by falling while on roller skates. Mrs. Eilen Patrick, aged eighty-three years,

died at her home at Wilmington, O., Friday after a brief illness. A little daughter of Patrick Dempsey, o

Washington C. H., O., had a leg broken by being stepped on by a borse. Mrs. Elizabeth Van Note, aged eighty years, died at the residence of her daughter

Mrs. T. J. Hutchinson, Lebanon, O., Friday The steamer Wisconsin was sighted about ifteen miles west of Grand Haven, Mich., to all appearances all right, but surrounded by ice. The tug Arctic was seen about two miles

from the steamer. The anniversary of the landing of Ponce de Leon and the founding of the city was cele brated at St. Augustine, Fla., Friday.

Charles Dubbin and wife, three weeks married, were arrested in Decatur, Ill., charged with drowning their six months' old child. Mrs. Mary A. Leonard has been admitted to ractice in the Federal Courts of Oregon, the

first female lawyer in the State. An incendiary fire at Oakland City, Ind. destroyed fourteen buildings and caused a loss of \$75,000, upon which there is little insur-

A Russian fleet is reported to be only eighteen days' sail from the unprotected English port of Victoria, B. C. Considerable olarm prevails.

An explosion of gas in the coal mines Lebu, Chili, caused the death of thirty-five miners, and thirteen others were dangerously wounded. Mrs. Rittle, an iosane woman aged eighty-

six years, was burned to death at Lebanon

Pa. Her clothing took fire from a pipe she was smoking. ent of E. J. Pheips, Min to England, is looked upon with disfavor by Eastern Democrats, who predict that it bode

ill to the party. An assault of rebels near Winnepeg resulted in ten civilians and two policemen killed. The Canadian troops retreated to Fort Carleton for

The Mexican Secretary of the Interior issued a circular prohibiting religious stree processions during Holy Week, as it is a vio lation of the reform laws.

Ky., still continues, and the county buildings and much private property is virtually i ossession of a faction of desperadoes. The ferry steamer Mark Twain exploded

The "reign of terror" in Rowan county

er boilers, Friday, while lying at the bank at Mound City, Ark., killing five and severely wounding several other persons. The body of George Baschang, the four-

and-a-half-year-old boy who has been missing from his home in Cincinnati since No vember 13, 1884, was found in the caral Friday. Michael Yaufman was killed by being burled from the top of the Soldiers' Memoria

Building, Toledo, O., by the breaking of derrick. Another workman was seriously injured Lord Dufferin was received at Rawal-Pindi by the Ameer of Afghanistan with great display, and every appearance of good feeling upon his part and that of his troops and sub iects. A report that England had given Russis her ultimatum is disbelieved in London

"Didn' hab none, sah. "You are an old fool." and it is reported, on the contrary, that the Russian Ambassador has received from his Government a favorable reply to England's proposals, with the stipulation, though, that the Afghans withdraw from Penideh, pending the settlement of the controversy. England goes on with her war preparations with all possible haste. A Bold Robbery. wouldenter gin yer none o' de meat The man who drives the meat wagon for I had er killed it. 'Fore ver talked dat

Hamilton & Brannaman was robbed of the way I woulder made yer present some o' de buck. See whut yer got by proceeds of his morning's work. The wagon, at the time, was out near the East Street it. sah." - Texas Siftings. Shops. The box containing the money was sitting in the back end of the wagon. The driver wishing to drive around the street car to a house on the other side of the street, left the box where it was sitting and mounted to the seet in tront, first closing the rear door. Just as he arrived at the house where he wished to stop he heard the latch on the door snap and turning around saw three men running away, one of them having the money-box in his hands. The thieves, first taking all the money out of the box, threw it lown, and in spite of a hot pursuit, escaped A good description of them was given the policesby several witnesses, and they will probably be taken before tomorrow.

PHILADELPHIA, March 28 .- G. S. Winston President of the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York, is dead.

A "TIP" IGNORED.

How Luke Sharp Attempted to Procur

England is often referred to by Americans as a land of tips. This is as unjust as if an Englishman were to refer to this country as the land of the tipsy. I know many instances where tips have been refused, and one of these I always have felt a little sore about, and think still my English friend took a mean advantage of the innocence of a stranger in a strange land. This is how it came about. Detroit, as all the world knows, bought an island of about 800 acres with the intention of making a park of it. Being in London at the time I thought I would gather together a little information about the excellent and extensive parks of the metropolis and send it over to the Secretary of the Detroit Park Com-

I was walking through the beautiful Temple Gardens of the Thames em-bankment with my friend, the Englishman, when we naturally drifted to the subject of parks and I said to him:
"I want to find out what I can about parks to send to Detroit. How had I better set about it?"

"That depends on what you want to know about them. First try and concentrate what mind you have on the particular class of information you

want, then perhaps I can help you."

I want all the information there is on the subject. I was thinking of going up to the British Museum reading room and asking the attendant to bring me

the books they have on parks."
"That's a good idea; a brilliant idea.
When the assistants pile around you the two or three tons of books they have on that subject, I suppose you'll expect your friends to get up a relief party and dig you out.

What would you do?" "Well, I wouldn't begin with all the books the British Museum has. Now here are the Temple Gardens, one of the loveliest parks in the world. I'll introduce you to the chief man, and you can interview him."

"There's Hyde Park, for instance that's a sort of typical London park. How could I find out what I wanted to know about that?" "Write to the Ranger."

"I'll do that. Say, hadn't I better offer him a tip of some sort? A half crown or so? Would't he answer my etter the more readily?

This seemed to strike my English friend as a grand scheme. He looked at me with admiration, and it was so seldom that I advanced any ideas that quite met his approval that I could not elp feeling gratified.

"You've got the plan at last! That would be just the thing. Do it delicate-ly, you know. Use a little diplomacy. intimate in an offhand who souled manner that you don't mind s him nothing will.

"I suppose a letter addressed 'The Ranger of Hyde Park, London,' would reach him all right." "Yes, that would do it."

When I got back to the office I wrote: When I got back to the office I wrote: "Ranger of rlyde Park:
"DEAR SIR-I am de-irous of obtaining what information I can about Hyde Park, its cost aftening, east of construction, number of people employed, etc., a d I the 2001 perhaps you would be good enough to mail me any pamphlets that you have in reference to the matter. I shall be glad to pay postage and any other expenses, and if you would do me the favor to accept half a crown for your own trouble I shall be obliged to you.

obl ged to you. "Your obedient servant, "LUKE SHARP." I waited day after day but received no reply. Every time we met my Engan expressed surprise that the Ranger had not jumped at my halfoffer. He seemed to have told all his friends and mine about the matter, and when they met me they seemed grieved that the Ranger had not written. They always inquired. I never saw people so anxious to help a person on. At last the man whom I consider entirely to blame, said to me, as we

met on the Strand: "By the way, did it ever occur to you to find out who the Ranger of Hyde Park is?

"No," I answered. "Do you know "Not personally. He is the Duke of Cambridge, head of the British army and uncle of the Queen."-Detroit Free

The Penalty of Skepticism. "Come mighty nigh killin' a fine buck dis mawnin'," said an old negro. "Comin' long through the woods an' er ole buck he jump up, an' bookerty, bookerty, he runs off a few yards an' stop still. Come in one er shootin

"Why didn't you shoot?" "Didn' hab my gun wid me, sah."
"Then how did you come in one of

shooting him?" "'Case, sah, I come in one o' taking my gun wid me."
"Why didn't you take your gun?"

"Look heah, doan 'buse er man dat way when yer sin' got no cause. I ain't got no gun, for a feller dat I wuz erbout got he gun, for a lener that I was crowd ter buy one frum, axed me jes' \$1 mo'n I could pay. So, I come in one o' gittin' de gun. If I had er got it I would er tuk it 'long wid me, an' ef I'der had it I could er shot de buck easy, sah. So doan come 'roun' busin er man when de facks is all ergin ver. hab knowed folks to fetch trouble dar 'selves dat way. Er pusson ought-er be keerful in dis heah worl' o' science an' speckerlation. Good mawnin' Since yer's acted dis way.

Saltpeter in Nevada.

The saltpeter beds of Nevada are far better situated for the development of their deposits than the niter region of South America, which is a desert entirely devoid of water and all vegetable life, and where the development can be accomplished only by surmounting many difficulties; the provisions of the miners have to be transported from long distances; the water supply for all purposes is condensed from the ocean water and carried to the niter fields, while fuel has to be procured from the mountains in the South of Chili. In Nevada, we are told, the saltpeter deposits are in the vicinity of a rich farming country, with an abund ant supply of water and food close at hand, and the niter can be furnished at prices considerably cheaper than that for which the South American article

can be obtained .- N. Y. Sun.

DEAF.

How Peter Duffy Was Saved From Going Into the Army.

During the darker days of the war, when its holiday features had given place to genuine blood and universal forrow; when the dazzling uniforms had been dragged through the mud and dust of many campaigns, and the soil of every southern state had swal-lowed up the dear dust of brothers and sons, and when the roll of drums and the flash of swords no longer won new recruits to death's grim carnival, there came the draft, with all of the horrors, out none of the dearly-bought glory of

olunteer service.

Peter Duffy, an Irish blacksmith, with a young wife and a large family of helpless little children, was among he first in southern Wisconsin to draw a sorrowful prize. He felt that he ab-solutely could not go. He tried every way to evade the call to certain death, out met with nothing but chagrin, rid-

cule and defeat.

One day, Hon. James H. Earnest was speaking in the state senate, when a messenger came and told him that a man outside the senate chamber wished to see him. Owing to some misunder-standing, Mr. Duff was ushered into the room. He had a good deal of hair, which he allowed to grow in wild pro-fusion. He did not hold himself responsible in any way for that hair. His head looked like an old hair mattress that had been turned wrong side ou by a cyclone and deserted by its friends. He became the cynosure of all eyes The speech lost its interest and came to a close.
"Now, Peter," said Mr. Earnest

'what's the matter with you?' "Sinator, I'm kilt, I'm a cold carpse. Me wife is a widdy. They do have me grafted, Jim. There's only half a moile bechane me and paradoise. I want you to see the Prissident, or Jiff Davis, or Gineral MickLillan, or some of thim byes and save me loife. can't do it, Jim, I'm gorn oop, and me wife is a weepin' widdy bound for the poor house beyant. Hilp me out, Sin-ator. Pass a bill making it a filony on the hoigh saze to graft an Irish orpan into this gineral massacree. Do that, I'm and I'll pay for ye all we hilf Jim, and I'll pray for ye all me loife, and the Lord knows you nade it, too, and I'll do all yer blacksmithin' at half

Mr. Earnest thought all those things

rere impracticable.
"Peter," said he, "you seem to be and I'm afraid your resignation would not be accepted. Unless you fail to pass the medical examination, you'll have to go, I guess."

Then Mr. Duffy thought of some

"Sinator, to tell the trooth, I can't hear very well meself. Whin I was an apprentice, a red mool knocked the dayloights out of me and impared m

Mr. Earnest had never noticed this. but he really didn't want to see Duffy go, and in the kindness of his heart he encouraged the idea a little. He even went over to see Dr. Hoyt at Camp Randall, and while they made some scientific experiments with lemons and sugar and spirits, he drew the conver-

The next day ar. Lymest to come down to the Park Hotel and visit him at his room. At the appointed hour Senator Earnest produced a list of questions and told Mr. Duffy that he would have to answer these artisfactorily. Patiently, they are to satisfactorily. Patiently they set to work like a class of students who have secretly secured a list of queries prior to the day of examination. Every da after the legislative session had closed, Mr. Earnest would repair to his room in company with Mr. would so through the rehearsal. Fin came, and Senator Earnest had to go to Camp Randall to assist. A question vould be propounded to Peter, and he would turn with great gravity and earnestness to Mr. Earnest, who sat by

him, and ask: "What do he say Jim?" Then Jim would bawl the question into Duffy's off ear. The examination went on first rate, only that Earnest nearly died trying to keep a straight face. Finally came the last test, which generally caught the impostor. Dr. Hoyt turned with great disgust to the other exam-

ining surgeons and said:

"Gentlemen, we don't want this bump on a log. He can't hear anything. I think we had better leave the lankety-blank wooden-head at home, where his family can attend to him and

This was said in a low tone of voice to eatch the unwary Irishman, but slowly he turned to Senator Earnest nd gravely inquired:
"What do he say, Jim?"

Then Earnest, red in the face with suppressed emotion, bellowed into Duffy's best ear: "The-doctor-says-you-can'thear-anything. He-thinks-younad-better-stay-here-where-your-family-can-call-your-attention the-resurrection."—Bill Nye, in

New York Mercury. Made Himself Felt.

When a well-known member of this community, now dead, was state senator from this city, he was engaged in some very radical measures which sorely cut into many people whom he thought were in need of reform. They abused him very thoroughly, but in his honesty he maintained the fight strongly. A friend of his from the city visited him in Sacramento while the neasures were pending. "Well, what do they say of me in

San Francisco?" "They don't speak very well of you." "What do they say about me? That's what I want to know."

"Well, they say very rough things about you. I don't care to-"Speak it out. Tell me how they talk. "They call you a liar, a scoundrel, a

thief, an ignoramus, an idiot—every-thing they can think of that's bad."

"Ah," said the senator, rubbing his hands in glee and chuckling in perfect enjoyment, "they feel me, my boy, they feel me."—San Francisco Chronicle.

On the island of Formoso when any one is taken sick he is strung up by the neck and let down with the "dull This thud." common at executions. performance is intended either to kill or cure the unfortunate patient.

A San Franciscan proposes a scheme for building a floating railway areas

MURPHY & BRO.

BARGAINS

SPECIAL SALE

EXTRAORDINARY.

Cheap Linens. Damasks. Towels. Napkins.

LOT GERMAN DAMASK TOWELS 10c, 12c, and 15c each.

1 LOT GERMAN DAMASK AND HIICK TOWFLS 20e and 25e each.

and Doylies.

These are Decided and Extraordinary Bargains.

SPECIAL BARGAINS

5-8 Bleach and Unbleach all Linen Mapkins, 75c per dozen úp.

Astonishingly Good Values in 3-4 Bleach and Napkins \$3.50, worth \$4.50. \$4, worth \$5 per Dozen.

Examine the All Linen Loom Damask Tabling at 37c. 50c, 60c, and 75c. 10-4 Lunch Cloth Fringe Border

all Linen, \$125 to \$2. Lowest Prices ever known.

Extra Fine Lunch Sets \$5, worth \$8.50. Lot Extra Large Turkish Bath Towels, \$175 per dozen; would be chean at \$2.50

per dozen. This department is full of

48 & 50 Limestone

The Chances of Fewer Marriages. Girls are no more angels than men re apes, and there are other vices beides impurity, such as envy, unchariableness, malice, untruthfulness, and ill-temper. Are all the vices on our Post-nuptial backslidings are worse than ante-nuptial divagation and if the balance is to be struck after marriage it is not easy to say on which side the slide would be. There is one lesson which we, all of us, in whatever rank or society we may be, have to learn, and the sooner we learn it the better—the lesson of humility, of modesty, of economy. We are no longer the lords of creation; we have no longer a monopoly of capital or production, rents and interests will fall lower still, and unless we realize the situation, come down from our high horse, and moderate our views of style and expenditure, very serious trouble will overtake society. We had better give up sneering at those "dirty foreigners," and imitate a little of their frugality. But the example must be set by those above; so long as the leaders of the great world indulge in display, those below will spend their last shilling in an insane attempt to be in the running. Diamonds, lace, cost-ly fabrics, whether for dress or furniture, long and lavish dinner parties, heavy suppers after balls, all these things might be made unfashionable by a wave of Zenobia's wand. Unless some change of this kind is made in our habits, or unless some happy revolution occurs in our economic history, there will be fewer marriages than ever in Vanity Fair .- The National Review.

John Danforth, known as "Major was a character of whom the Connecticut papers are now telling an-ecdotes. Danforth being under the sod. His chief oddity was his spread-eagle patriotism, copied from that of Jona-than Brooks, who, clad in red clothes of continental cut, used to mount Gorton's heights, New London, and deliver an oration to wondering urchins and grazing cows. One day when there was a real meeting at the grove, Dan-forth got up to make an address. Soon after he had begun the quick-witted president of the day sprang to his feet and shouted: "Three cheers for Maj. Danforth, who has just finished his great speech!" The major stood beamidst a cannonade of applause and finally sat down like a man n the mazes of a dream.

We believe Congress should take prompt action to revise the present homestead laws. They are far too liberal. The grant of 160 acres is too much. Eighty acres would be ample, and we are inclined to the opinion that forty acres would be generous on the part of the Government. Any farmer can earn a living on forty acres of land. The Government could secure more settlers and better develop the Territories by providing transportation to heads of families to the point nearest the land they desire to locate.—Adrian (Mich.)